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Honorable Loretta A. Preska  
United States District Judge  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Room 1320  
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Velasco

**07** CR-00275 LAP

Dear Judge Preska:

Reference is made to the above case which is currently scheduled for oral argument on September 4, 2008 at 2:30. Counsel is requesting that this appearance be adjourned so that new dates be set for the following briefing schedule.

After consulting with Assistant United States Attorney Reed Brodsky and with his consent, it is requested that the Government's response on or before **September 25, 2008** and defense to reply thereto on or before **October 16, 2008**. Oral argument to be set for either **November 5, or November 6, 2008** at 2:30 p.m. or other date convenient to the Court. Defense consents to the exclusion of time to the date of oral argument from calculation under the Speedy Trial Act.

SO ORDERED

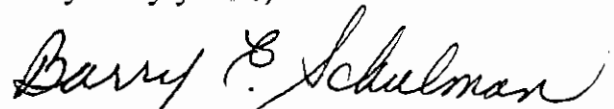
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If Your Honor requires any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact my office. Thank you for your attention.

Very truly yours,

  
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